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John Birch Society

The prejudicial and unwarranted attack upon President Kennedy for allegedly being "soft" toward Communism proves that the John Birch Society, headed by Mr. Robert Welch of Belmont, is little more than a rabble-rousing, misinformed and misguided group of zealots whose objectives are obscure and whose methods are shameful.

Originally started as a conservative organization dedicated to patriotic ideals, the society has now degenerated into a small group of iconoclasts, bent upon destruction of men in high places and of high reputation.

Fortunately, the attack upon President Kennedy only served to arouse the indignation of millions of Americans who know him to be a staunch American who harbors no "soft" thoughts about Communism.

Only two weeks ago the Society's regular letter to members accused former President Eisenhower and other high government officials of being either agents or dupes of the Communist conspiracy. In the same sweeping and unbridled indictment, the Society spoke disparagingly of former Presidents Truman and Roosevelt, the late Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and CIA Director Allan W. Dulles.

When not engaged in name-calling and character-assassination, the John Birch Society is doing its best to sabotage the United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It also demands the impeachment of Chief Justice Warren of the United States Supreme Court.

And who, in his right mind, would call Senator Goldwater "a socialist?"

When Mr. Welch and the John Birch group talk about people being "soft," we may well wonder just who really is getting soft!